

they will understand that these programs are important, that the committee does oversee them and that it is important that we move this legislation through to make all the different corrections that are in there.

So I would ask of the House, let us get this bill out and get it in conference. I pledge to continue working with the gentleman. It is a small part of the bill over which we have a disagreement. There is no question that the bill as a whole moves in the direction of pushing the portfolio gently towards smaller loans. I like that. We have worked for that under my chairmanship. He have worked for that with the ranking member. This is a modest inflationary update. I would hope that we would have the House's confidence in being able to make it and that we can move this bill through.

I would urge the House to support H.R. 2615.

Mr. MANZULLO. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. TALENT. I yield to the gentleman from Illinois.

Mr. MANZULLO. Based upon the gentleman's assertions that he is willing to continue discussing this figure of \$750,000 increased to \$1 million, I would still be opposed to the bill, I will vote "no" on an oral vote but not call for a recorded vote.

Mr. TALENT. Reclaiming my time, I appreciate very much the gentleman's most gracious concession in that regard. I certainly will be glad to keep working with him. He and I disagree on this. My major concern is making sure that we have a proper balance in the portfolio so that we do not have the unintended impact of undermining the stability of the smaller loans that we do make by not allowing this minor inflationary update. But perhaps we can provide for that in some other context. I am happy to work with the gentleman in that regard.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. MILLER of Florida). The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Missouri (Mr. TALENT) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 2615.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the bill was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. TALENT. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks and to include extraneous material on H.R. 2615.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Missouri?

There was no objection.

THOMAS S. FOLEY UNITED STATES COURTHOUSE AND WALTER F. HORAN PLAZA

Mr. COBLE. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 211) to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at West 920 Riverside Avenue in Spokane, Washington, as the "Thomas S. Foley Federal Building and United States Courthouse", and the plaza at the south entrance of such building and courthouse as the "Walter F. Horan Plaza", as amended.

The Clerk read as follows:

H.R. 211

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. DESIGNATION OF COURTHOUSE.

(a) DESIGNATION.—The Federal building and United States courthouse located at 920 West Riverside Avenue in Spokane, Washington, shall be known and designated as the "Thomas S. Foley United States Courthouse".

(b) REFERENCES.—Any reference in a law, map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of the United States to the Federal building and United States courthouse referred to in subsection (a) shall be deemed to be a reference to the "Thomas S. Foley United States Courthouse".

SEC. 2. DESIGNATION OF PLAZA.

(a) DESIGNATION.—The plaza located at the south entrance of the Federal building and United States courthouse referred to in section 1(a) shall be known and designated as the "Walter F. Horan Plaza".

(b) REFERENCES.—Any reference in a law, map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of the United States to the plaza referred to in subsection (a) shall be deemed to be a reference to the "Walter F. Horan Plaza".

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. COBLE) and the gentleman from Washington (Mr. BAIRD) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. COBLE).

Mr. COBLE. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, H.R. 211, as amended, introduced by the gentleman from Washington (Mr. NETHERCUTT), honors two former Members of this body, former Speaker Tom Foley and Congressman Walter Horan. The amendment simply corrects the address and properly designates the facility as a United States courthouse, which the building is typically referred to as in Spokane.

This legislation will designate the United States courthouse and courthouse plaza in Spokane, Washington, as the "Thomas S. Foley United States Courthouse and Walter F. Horan Plaza". This designation is a most deserving one.

Ambassador Foley served in the Congress from January 1965 until Decem-

ber 1994. As most of the Members here are well aware, Ambassador Foley was our 49th Speaker of the House of Representatives. Prior to his election as Speaker, Ambassador Foley was the majority leader, majority whip, chair of the Democratic Caucus and chairman of the Committee on Agriculture. Before being elected to the Congress, Ambassador Foley was special counsel to the Senate Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs. He also served as deputy prosecuting attorney in Spokane and assistant attorney general for the State of Washington.

After leaving this body, former Speaker Foley continues to distinguish himself in public service as the United States Ambassador to Japan. Naming the courthouse in Ambassador Foley's hometown is a reminder of his dedication and hard work in public service.

The plaza entrance to the courthouse will be designated as the "Walter F. Horan Plaza". This will be a reminder to all that are entering the courthouse through the main plaza of the many accomplishments by former Congressman Horan for his eastern Washington district.

If there ever was an example of the American dream, it is Walter Horan. He was born in a log cabin on the banks of the Wenatchee River in 1898. After attending the Wenatchee public schools, he was graduated from Washington State College in 1925. Prior to that, he entered World War I, serving for 2 years in the United States Navy as a gunner's mate third class. Upon graduation, he returned to his apple farm in Wenatchee, Washington where he engaged in fruit growing, packing, storing and shipping until he was elected to the 78th Congress in 1942. He went on to serve in the next 10 succeeding Congresses and rose to third in seniority on the Committee on Appropriations. He always gave close attention to agriculture and the conservation community. Former Congressman Horan passed away in 1966. Naming the Plaza on his behalf is a fitting designation.

This is a fitting tribute, Mr. Speaker, to two former Members of this body. I support the bill and urge my colleagues to join in support.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. BAIRD. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume. Also, I want to thank the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. COBLE) for introducing this bill and the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. SHUSTER) for bringing this bill to the floor in such a timely manner.

I rise in strong support of H.R. 211, a bill to designate the Federal building and courthouse located at 920 West Riverside Avenue in Spokane, Washington as the Thomas S. Foley United States Courthouse, and the plaza located at the south entrance as the Walter F. Horan Plaza.